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## THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE LOTTERIES.

## WHERE THE LINE IS DRAWN.

A representative *Ceylon* "M. Leader" saw the Hon. the Attorney-General to request some explanation of the present renewed campaign against race lotteries and club sweeps. The Hon. Mr. Walter Pereira pointed out that all lotteries were illegal in Ceylon. The safeguard of the Attorney-General's sanction prior to a prosecution was provided in order to enable the Police to distinguish between lotteries with an object which can be justified and those which have no such object. Recently there had been reason for action by the Police. The Government considered the question very carefully and the decision arrived at is that which is now being carried out in the Courts.

"What is the line of distinction drawn?" inquired the pressman.

"The distinction drawn between Clubs which are proceeded against and those which are not is based upon the question: Is the lottery carried on for private gain or in the interest of sport. If the former, the Government cannot encourage the continuance of a practice by which private gain is procured by illegal methods. Clubs which carry on lotteries in the interest of sport stand on a different footing, and the Government is not prepared to interfere with them."

Mr. Pereira has no special knowledge of any particular clubs; and was only guided by that broad line of distinction in sanctioning or disallowing a prosecution.

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## IT IS SAID

For her army on a war basis, Germany needs 1,000,000 horses. This is more than any other nation.

Switzerland, in proportion to its population, spends more on the relief of the poor than does any other country.

King Edward is an enthusiastic patron of the theatre and last season he witnessed the performance of thirty-one plays.

Unlike the men, the women of Italy are most industrious. When their household duties are done they knit.

Commercial travellers in Austria have secured a substantial increase in their salaries by combining and demanding it.

Egypt has an enormous number of small land owners, over a million people being proprietors of the ground they till.

The Kaiser believes in the old adage, "Early to bed," and was beside any of his sons who may come in later than 10 o'clock.

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The churches and other places of worship in London can accommodate nearly a million and a half people at the same time.

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Wrestling is the national sport of Persia, and the tournaments held to decide championships rival our football matches in popularity.

Rome has recently adopted the "cocktail," the famous Yankee drink, and it is now almost as popular with Italians as with Americans.

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BIRTHS.  
On December 13, 1907, at Shanghai, Mrs. R. S. KRAMER, of a son.  
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On December 14, 1907, at Shanghai, the wife of J. SHREINHAMER, of a daughter.

**The Hongkong Telegraph**  
HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1907.

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET.

The splendid fleet of battleships, which has sailed for the Pacific, is out of all comparison the greatest fighting force which ever made a voyage of similar length under any flag. This is highly gratifying to the pride of the country, says an American contemporary, which remarks that it is hardly so gratifying to learn, however, that there is not a single vessel in the fleet which will carry a full complement of officers and men. On the average, each ship in the fleet will have 30 per cent. fewer officers than are carried on vessels of similar dimensions and equipment in the navy of every other power on earth. Watch and division officers on many of the great ships of the American navy today are youngsters but a few years from the naval academy; and other junior officers of like grade will be in charge of the engine rooms of the ships from time to time. On all the cruisers the same

conditions prevail to even a greater extent. Ensigns and midshipmen are watch and division officers on vessels of this class, and on gunboats; and even of these young officers, there are fewer than are required for handling the ship. The experience is extremely valuable for these young officers, and they are theoretically well equipped for their work; but the contrast is amazing when it is considered that, on the other hand, the ship commanders, as a uniform rule, are many years older than officers of similar grades in all other navies. The simple truth is that Congress made provisions for a great navy long before it commenced to take steps to provide a sufficient number of officers for the ships which it was laying down. For years, a new vessel has been put in commission only by the expedient of laying up another vessel, in order to secure officers and men for the new ship. Of late years Congress has acted, and the number of yearly graduates from the naval academy is many times larger than it was in former days. The demand for officers has been so great that few classes have completed their full term of service at the academy before being ordered to sea. The service therefore, presents its present anomalous condition, with old commanders and with young men of brief training and experience in the positions formerly held by officers of many years' service, and who are rapidly approaching command rank.

### WHAT IS WHISKY?

The question, "What is Whisky?" which was asked, some time ago, in an English court of justice, is now exercising the minds of citizens of the United States, remarks the *Pall Mall Gazette*. It appears that, by a provision of the new pure food law, bottles containing whisky have to be labelled with a statement of the precise nature of the ingredients used in the manufacture of the liquor within. One can easily understand that this requirement is, as the report states, "greatly agitating the less reputable distillers." Wine, it has been well said, can be made from almost anything—even from grape juice; and as to spirits, well, the mere consumer had better drink in faith than endeavour to ascertain the infinite variety of the substances from which some form of fire-water can be extracted. Great, indeed, are the resources of modern science! If, however, the American law is enforced, and if it is honestly administered, there ought to be, at least, some guarantee that American whisky is not a by-product of saw-kraut, or slaw, or some other substance other than that from which that spirit is presumably derived.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE American Democratic Convention will be held on July 7.

INVITATIONS for the police smoking concert to be held at the Water Police Station on the 4th January, have been issued.

MR. Walker, president of the San Francisco Bank, has been arrested on a charge of forgery. The arrested man admits the truth of the accusation.

RIOTERS in the Hamgyong Province of Korea have murdered twenty more members of pro-Japanese societies. A special envoy from Korea reached Tokyo on 13th inst. The Korean Crown Prince was expected to reach Tokyo on 15th inst. The most elaborate reception has been arranged.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Sunday next, offerings will be made for church expenses and the Hongkong Church Missionary Association. The Chaplain, Rev. A. J. Stevens, will preach at the eleven o'clock service, and the Rev. G. A. Bunbury, principal of St. Paul's College, will preach in the evening, at 6 p.m.

On Saturday evening Mr. Alfred H. Crook, of Queen's College, will give a lecture on the subject—"The Babyhood of the Earth," at the Y.M.C.A. It will be illustrated by 50 pictures showing phenomena of the earth's formation. On Sunday afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock, the Bishop of Victoria will give an address before a meeting of men.

A CURIOUS story comes from Shipley, near Bradford. A resident posted a letter addressed to Bingley, three miles away, but the Post Office authorities by some error sent it to the United States. It has now, after a month's delay, been returned, and the authorities demand 4d from the addressee to cover the cost of the letter's travels across the Atlantic.

THE C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Taming* arrived from Manila at noon to-day, carrying Pollard's Lilliputian Open Company. A pretty rough passage was experienced by the little people crossing the China Sea, but were none the less the merit of the youngsters upon landing to-day, it would appear that the rough time on the voyage has soon been forgotten.

THE municipalization of the Tokio electric tramways has been agreed upon at the price of Yen 72,500,000 subject to the consent of the Municipal Assembly and the Company's shareholders. The transfer will be made at the end of March. The Government is inclined to authorize the municipalization, as otherwise the financiers who are interested in the scheme threaten a panic at the end of the year.

The stream of coolie labour returning from Manchuria to Shanghai for the winter has hitherto largely depended upon the extramural railway line. The Japanese railway in South Manchuria is now intending to attract the coolies by reducing its fares.

A CURIOUS mirage reported by Dr. C. G. Knott was seen in South Africa by members of a cadet corps. In the town of Worcester, behind them, they saw about four miles off, apparently on the other side of the river, a recognizable image of the town itself.

CHAN CHEUNG KWONG, a coolie, residing at Yau-ma-tei, forced an entrance into the Hop Cheung match shop at Mongkok, yesterday afternoon, and stole a quantity of clothing, which he made into a bundle. As he was about to leave the premises he was pounced upon by one of the labourers occupying the match shop, who had been watching him all the time, and turned over to the police. This morning, he was brought before Mr. F. A. Hazland on a charge of theft, and sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and 100 s's stocks.

By kind permission of Major Hatch and Officers, the Band of the 12th Baluchis will play the following programme of music, during dinner, at the Kowloon Hotel, to-morrow, the 21st inst., from 7 to 10 p.m.:

March "Left Right".....Hunt  
Overture "The Bohemian Girl".....Halle  
Valse "Carmen".....Lambert  
Selection "Veronique".....Macbeth  
Serenade "Love in Idleness".....Macbeth  
Serenade "The Girl".....Macbeth  
Two-Step "Anon".....Gray  
God Save the King.

We learn that Sir Charles Ross, the inventor of the Ross rifle, has for some years been experimenting with a new bullet, which will fly straighter than those now in use, and with greater velocity. He has been enabled to carry the scheme of the subject a step further by securing a 2,000 feet velocity with a cartridge that will not wear the rifle out quickly. Two years ago he succeeded in getting up to 2,700 feet and over, and successful trials have since been made with the bullet in Europe and India. It is now being largely manufactured in Canada, and also for sporting rifles. Various powers are testing the cartridge, and at 1,000 yards range 53 degrees less elevation is required than with the British Service arm.

QUARREL yesterday between a coolie named Ku Yang, of 114, Des Voeux Road Central, and Lo Kwai, the cook of the steamer *China*, resulted in the arrest of the former and the removal to hospital of the latter for treatment. The trouble, we are given to understand, arose over the question of the right of the way. The cook, who "saves" speaks "fitted" English, wanted the coolie to get out of his way in a crowded footpath along Queen's Road. The coolie refused, and put an end to the argument by cracking the cook over the cranium. With his head in a bandage the cook was able to be present at the Police Court this morning, to prosecute his assailant, who was sentenced to a month's hard labour.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel W. Scott Macneil and Officers, the Band of the Third Battalion "The Duke of Cambridge's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play the following programme of music, during dinner, at the Hongkong Hotel, to-morrow, the 21st inst.:

March "The Sanguine Tones".....Eroll  
Valse "Yours Sincerely".....Coté  
Selection "Rose of Castile".....Halle  
Song "A Mon".....Adams  
Overture "The Maid".....Donizetti  
Polka "The Maid".....Kilmer  
Selection "The Maid".....Cayll  
Three Dances from Nell Gwynne.....German  
(a) Country Dances.  
(b) Patriotic.  
(c) Merry Melodies.  
God Bless the Prince of Wales.  
God Save the King.

THE *Manila Times* of 16th inst. says:—The entertainment committee of the Elks' Lodge for the production of the opera "Patience," presented a handsome watch Sunday afternoon to Mr. Alf Goulding. This was a testimonial from the Elks in recognition of Mr. Goulding's great assistance in the preparation of the coming opera which will be presented the latter part of January.

The inscription read:—  
Presented to  
Alf Goulding  
by the Manila Lodge of Elks.  
No. 761  
A remembrance of the opera  
"Patience."

In the presence of the entire cast of the opera, Mr. M. L. Stewart made the presentation with a few happy remarks. Mr. Goulding responded with many thanks, and predicted the greatest success for the Elks at the coming production.

SHORTLY after six o'clock this morning a *fohl* belonging to the Tung Fat Cheung shop, at 51, Macdonnell Road, Kowloon, became aware, by the sound of footsteps, that someone was in the shop. He turned over on his side and saw the shadow of a man disappearing through the back door. The *fohl* followed the man and came face to face with him in the lane. A jar of nut oil stood at his feet. Immediately he knew he had been found out the coolie took to his heels, but the cries of the *fohl* attracted an Indian policeman, who blocked his way. The coolie turned on the policeman so viciously that the latter was forced to draw his *dalan* to defend himself. After a struggle the coolie, who gave the name of Hong Hoi Ki, was overpowered, and removed to the station. At the Police Court, this morning, he was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment and 50 s's stocks on the charge of theft. For assaulting the policeman he was fined \$50 with the option of a further term of a month's hard labour.

### ALLGUD FALSE PRETENSES.

A FORMER GOVERNMENT SERVANT INDICTED.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, a coolie, who was alleged to have been banished in November, 1906, and returned to the Colony shortly afterwards, joining the Government service in whose employ he has been until his arrest some time last month, came up to answer a number of charges. The man, Yung Kwai, a pump attendant, Garden Road, was called upon to answer four charges of obtaining goods under false pretences; a charge of returning from banishment; and also a charge of failing to report himself to the police at the proper time, he being "ticked off" leave him.

Inspector Ritchie appeared for the prosecution. Mr. Q. D. Tunnah was for the defence. Before the case opened the police consented to withdraw the two last charges and to proceed only on the charges of false pretences.

Mr. Hazland—What are the particulars in this case?

Inspector Ritchie—On the 8th November last defendant went to a grocer's shop at 15, Wing Lok Street and obtained some rice and tigs. On the 10th he went to 7, Jubilee Street and there obtained some goods. On the 27th he also obtained from B. Cochran, Street some tigs.

Mr. Hazland—What were the false pretences?—The defendant represented himself as a "boy" employed at Murray Barracks. When he chose what he wanted at the shops he asked that a *fohl* be sent with him for the money. Arriving at the gate of the barracks he would tell the *fohl* that he was not allowed in the barracks and would take the stuff from the man, telling him to wait for payment. Defendant would then disappear.

Evidence was then called.

### VOLUNTEER CORPS ORDERS.

GUNLAYERS.

The examination of gunlayers will be continued at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday next, the 21st instant.

JOINED.

Mr. C. L. Maxwell joined the Troop on the 16th December, 1907, assigned Troop No. 53 and posted to the Troop.

ACCOUNTS.

It is requested that all accounts due to the Corps may be paid by the 23rd instant, to allow all books to be closed by the 31st December, 1907.

STORES.

It is notified for information that no stores except ammunition will be issued between the 21st instant and Monday, the 5th January, 1908, on account of stock-taking.

GYMNASTIC CLASS.

Monday and Friday at 8.45 p.m.

If sufficient members desire it, there will be no extra attendance on Thursday at 6 p.m. Any members who desire this should send in their names to Corporal Hiden, the Gymnasium Secretary, and if sufficient names are received arrangements will be made for an instructor to attend at this time.

RIGHT HALF NO. 2 COMPANY.

The usual monthly shoot which should be held on 26th January, 1908, will be held at Tai Hang Rifle Range on Sunday, the 19th December, owing to the alteration of the date for church parade.

The first shoot for Subscription Cups 1907-8 will take place on 22nd instant.

A VICTORY. B. C. despatch of Nov. 19 says:

The steamer *Tartar*, of the Canadian Pacific Railroad Orient Service, was again in collision this morning. When leaving the Esquimalt dry dock, where she has been undergoing repairs in consequence of her recent collision with the steamer *Chimera*, the steamer fouled the British bark *Tuy*, belonging to Alex Mc Dermott and associates, which is lying at anchor in Esquimalt harbour. A strong squall was blowing when the dock was flooded and the gates opened, and as the *Tartar* emerged from the dock she backed toward the mouth of the harbour and started to back and fill to bring the vessel's bow around toward an anchorage. The heavy wind, meanwhile, carried her down on the ship *Tuy*, and the port quarter of the *Tartar*, just abaft mid-ships, struck the bow of the *Tuy*, carrying away the bowsprit and some of the bow gear of the sailing vessel. The oily-lying bow of the steamer on the port quarter was smashed and two davits broken; as well as some of the railing being wrecked and slanchions carried away. Repairs can easily be effected and will not be expensive.

NASSIL is a native of Cairo. He resides at 34, Staunton Street. Yesterday Nassil worked to suit himself; to-day he works for the Crown. According to the police Nassil has lived on his wits since he came to Hongkong a few months ago and has become so well known to the Chinese that, in the words of one officer, "he couldn't be trusted as far as he could be seen." At about six o'clock last evening Nassil called at a grocer's shop at 311, Des Voeux Road Central, and leaving over the counter, handed the accountant a \$10 bill, at the same time calling for a pound of tobacco. This shop also carries on a business as money-changers and on the counter was a tray holding rolls of silver. While the accountant went in search of the tobacco Nassil picked up a roll of silver (\$5) from the tray and placed it into his pocket. When the accountant returned, with the tobacco Nassil did not fault with it and wanted back his money. As he was leaving the shop a coolie who had seen Nassil remove the roll of money from the tray informed the shopkeeper, and he was arrested. Nassil went on his knees and begged to be forgiven. The shopkeeper was willing to for, at the matter, but Police-mans Taylor came on the scene and arrested the man. He was charged with theft at the Police Court, this morning, and sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour.

### S.S. "CHEONG-SHING" IN A STORM.

The s.s. *Cheong-shing* which arrived in port to-day experienced an exceedingly rough passage on her last trip to the North. It was indeed the worst in the history of this ship. She left Canton on the 27th ult., at 1.55 a.m. and proceeded to Hongkong, where she took in 300 tons of coal and general cargo. She sailed the following day at dawn. Owing to a very strong monsoon, she had to steer through the inside passage. As far as at Brecker Point, the vessel was exposed to a very high head sea and the full force of the monsoon. Taking advantage of the shelter afforded by the small rocks and islets, she managed to fight her way as far as Chapel Island light. When off the latter, however, the wind became so fierce that she made no headway. From Chapel Island to Dodd Island, only 10 miles away, took over 5 hours to accomplish. From Dodd Island the coast was hugged, until Ping Hai Bay was reached; but in the afternoon of the 30th. The crew dropped anchor in this bay till daylight. Ping Hai Bay is half way between Hongkong and Shanghai. The steamer then proceeded on her course through the Hai Tan straits. Halfway through the latter, the wind became northerly. Hugging the coast, she got as far as Tong Tin island. From Tong Tin to N.F. Promontory there was a moderate northerly wind, and not too rough a sea. After leaving N.F. Promontory, she ran into a heavy snow-storm, accompanied by violent squalls. The wind then veered to north-west, and the weather became intensely cold. From Hooki light to Taku Bar, that is, right through the Gulf, it started again blowing a most violent south-west gale. The Bar was reached on the 5th, at 9.30 p.m. There was only drift ice at the bar and river approaches. It was too rough for the pilot boat to come alongside. They therefore had to wait until next morning when Captain Staver went on board. No difficulty was experienced in coming to the Bund. The *Cheong-shing* will call at Shanghai, this time, on her return journey to Hongkong. — *China Times*.

### H. H. WU TING-FANG.

In about two weeks' time H. H. Wu Ting-fang will be leaving the capital on his way back to the United States where he again goes as the Chinese Ambassador. When he returned from there some three or four years ago, great expectations were built on the influence for good he would undoubtedly be in Peking, where the whole air hummed and throbbed with talk of reform. He was to re-organise the Government and codify the laws. As one of the ablest men in China and fresh from the progressive influences of the busy West he was looked to by Chinese and foreigners alike as the saviour of his country. We all know how bitterly disappointed Wu and his admirers were. Every proposal as it was brought forward was "smashed to smithereens" against the brick wall of conservative opposition, and at last in disgust and despair Wu Ting-fang accepted a small provincial position rather than be set at naught by his unenlightened colleagues in Peking.

Wu Ting-fang is a man of exceptional parts and a man of whom intellectually any nation might be proud. He is an English barrister and a man of shrewd observation and decisive action. He is a man who if he had the chance would be an able leader of men, and given a free hand would have worked miracles for the Chinese Empire. But he has not been given a free hand and under the circumstances it is the best thing that can be done in the interests of the country and China's foreign relations generally, that he has been persuaded to accept the responsible post to Washington. It will be remembered that it was Wu Ting-fang who saved the situation when Europe was breathless with grief and dismay over the supposed massacre of the Legations in Peking, by getting a cypher telegram through to the Viceroy at Peking, who in turn got it through to Peking and obtained an answering message from the American Minister, which set at rest the worst alarms. Wu will be welcomed in the States where he is understood, and though it is known he will countenance no injustice to his people, it is also realised that he has knowledge and judgment to discriminate between fact and actual wrong. Of all Chinese officials he is one of the most capable of forming a just and equitable estimation of international rights.— *P. & T. Times*.

### THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 20th at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has risen slightly over the Philippines and at the other stations around the China Sea. The depression situated to the S. of Luzon yesterday, appears to exist this morning as a diffused area of low pressure lying over the S. Philippines and adjacent waters.

The depression in the North is moving Eastwards to the North of Shanghai, and a rapid decrease of pressure has taken place over N. China. The anti-cyclonic area remains over the Upper Yangtze.

Strong N. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and hard N. and N.E. gales over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 1 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood, N. winds, strong; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Japan, same as No. 1.

### Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

FIRE AT SHANGHAI.

PALACE HOTEL SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

CHARTERED BANK AND "HERALD" ROOFS CAUGHT FIRE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 20th December, 2.40 p.m.

A fire broke out at the Palace Hotel at noon to-day, but was promptly extinguished with only slight damage to the building.

The roofs of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China and of the *North China Herald* offices also caught fire. The flames were put out before any damage was done.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS.

To-morrow night (Saturday) the above company make the 100th time more to a Hongkong audience after an absence of three years. (Here is an extract from the *Wimpy Telegram* of the 23rd of December last, which shows the favourable opinions entertained of the combination by the people of the Canadian city:—

"The talented little artists comprising this unique organisation had so ingratiated themselves into the affections of the people of this city during their four weeks' engagement here that it was with positive regret, and even sorrow, that their admirers saw them shut from view by the final curtain on Saturday. The climax came when the whole of the young voices sang out with true British patriotism in 'God Save the King.' Never was the National Anthem sung with more fervour than by these young Australians, and it stirred a kindred feeling in the hearts of the big audience present. For four weeks they attracted crowded houses, and gave definite satisfaction, not only to the young folk of the city, but to the big folks, and the wise folks too. They need have no fear as to the cordiality of their welcome should they return to Winnipeg at any future time."

"The Belle of New York" has been selected to open the coming season. The Box Plan is to be the Robinson Piano Company.

### CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER & HONGKONG POLICE.

This match will take place on the ground of the latter Club on Saturday next at 2.15 p.m.

The following will represent the C. C. Club:—L. E. Lammer (capt.), M. E. Asger, R. Bass, A. O. Brown, J. D. Kinnaird, L. A. Rose, E. Irving, R. Pestonji, Dr. F. H. Kew, C. Evans, and J. H. Ruttojos.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The following is the table up to date:—

Club. P. W. L. D. Pts. Per centago.

Craigengower ..... 6 4 2 0 2 31.31

R. G. A. .... 6 4 2 0 2 33.33

Departmental Corps 6 3 3 0 19

Telegraphs ..... 5 3 2 0 1 20.00

3rd Middlesex ..... 5 2 3 0 1 20.00

Civil Service ..... 5 2 1 2 1 33.33

Hongkong Police 7 3 4 0 1 14.8

Kowloon ..... 5 1 3 1 2 50.00

Hongkong "A" ..... 5 0 4 1 4 100.00

a win=1 point.

a draw=0 point.

a loss=-1 point.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The following will represent the H. K. C. C. "A" on the Club ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. sharp, the opponents being Army Staff:—

A. A. Clayton, J. H. Chalmers, A. M. David, E. A. Fowler, T. C. Gray, P. Jacks, B. S. Logan, Capt. Kriekenbeck, Capt. Stanger, Leathers, H. H. Taylor, and J. W. Taylor.

CRICKET CLUB DANCE.

In case any of our readers have so far forgotten to get a ticket for the dance to-night at the City Hall at 9.30 p.m., they are reminded that they are to be obtained at the door; price \$5 each.

### SHIPPING AND MAILS.

German (*Sachsen*) 24th inst.

Indian (*Pookank*) 24th inst.

Australian (*Tatyuan*) 27th inst.

Indian (*Laitang*) 29th inst.

Australian (*Chinglu*) 3rd prox.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Kumari*, left Seattle on 19th inst. for Japan and China Ports.

The H. A. L. s.s. *Sigovia* left Shanghai on 20th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on 23rd inst. a.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Waldemar* left Sydney on 18th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on 8th prox.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Hongkong Maru* will be due at this port on 23rd inst. 10 a.m. Shanghai and will sail on the same day for Manila.

The T. K. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Pookank* from Calcutta and the *Strait* left Singapore for this port on 17th inst. 6 p.m., and may be expected here on 24th inst.

## Telegrams.

[Reuter's.]

## Labour in the United States.

London, 18th December.  
Mr. Compers, president of the Federation of Labour, speaking at a banquet of the Civic Federation, notified employers that workmen will not consent to any reduction of wages as a result of the money panic, for which they are not responsible.

Later.

## Austria-Hungary.

In the Budapest Diet, the Premier described a resolution passed by the Reichsrath on the 16th instant, calling on Hungary to deal justly with the various nationalities, as an offer for which Hungary must receive satisfaction from the Vienna Reichsrath.

The Premier said that the Government declined to carry out the resolution and begged the House to abstain from meddling in Hungarian affairs.

## Wireless Telephony.

A wireless telephonic message was transmitted from Berlin to Copenhagen yesterday.

## PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

A New York dispatch of 22nd ult. says:—In a speech tinged with bitterness, President R. P. Schwerin, of the Pacific Mail Steamship line, tonight assailed the government's attitude toward shipping on the Pacific, and declared that the present policy had failed to drive the American flag from the Pacific as well as from the Atlantic. His line, he said, was losing money as a result of the operations of the interstate commerce commission, and he intimated that the company would not ask for a renewal of its fifty-year charter, which expires on April 15 next, but would instead retire from the steamship transportation business.

Foreign rivals, who could change their rates at will, had piled up \$3,000,000 in assets he said, while the American line, compelled to give thirty days' notice of a new passenger rate, was dropping between \$1,000,000 and \$1,200,000 in hopeless competition.

Mr. Schwerin was a guest at the dinner at the Waldorf of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers. He said he felt incumbent upon him to tell the truth about what he termed "the most deplorable state of affairs in American shipping."

He referred to the liberal subsidies which are granted on the Pacific to British, German and Japanese vessels, and stated that two magnificent vessels were to be added to one Japanese line, which has already increased its fleet by three additional ships in comparatively recent times.

## WEST RIVER PATROL.

On a recent journey through the Canton delta, writes the Fatsien correspondent of the N. C. D. News, I had in many ways opportunity of seeing that the work of policing the West River and its branches by British vessels is being carried out with thoroughness. A steam-tug, native, but flying the British flag, on which I happened to be a passenger, was boarded by two officers of H.M.S. Fame at Kunchuk. The ship's papers were carefully examined, and when the necessary authorization for the carrying of firearms was not forthcoming, the captain was informed that he would be reported to Canton. In subsequent conversation he expressed a characteristically Chinese surprise that the new regulations, of which he had had adequate notice, were being really carried out. Nevertheless he seemed more than pleased at the new régime. "The British ships are going to protect us," the Chinese could not," was the burden of his comment. This would seem to be the prevailing attitude of those directly concerned, in spite of any so-called patriotic protests in more distant parts."

## UNREST IN KWANGSI.

When Yufushan, one of Chinankuan, Kwangsi, were in possession of the bandits, we issued an Imperial Decree to hand Chang Ming-chi, this "vermin of Kwangsi," to the Board concerned to be strictly dealt with and, at the same time, we wired to the local Governor to despatch troops by various routes and recover the forts. Then we received successively telegraphic reports of the said Governor of the restoration of the forts and. We have granted Lieutenant Colonel Lu Yang-ting, who recaptured the forts, the title of *Pailu* and also granted a certain sum of money to his officers and men so as to encourage them and we have ordered the authorities to report upon the affairs minutely. Now the Viceroy of Liangkwan, Chang Jen-chun, has sent in a telegraphic report in the matter. According to the same over one thousand bandits occupied the forts and the arms and ammunition there were very strong and Yufushan is a steep hill and it was difficult to attack. However, Lung Chikwang and Lu Yang-ting with their troops had fought hard in an attack for several days and nights, and killed many of the bandits and captured many arms and on the 11th December the forts had been completely recaptured. The success was quite prompt, which deserves our admiration. Therefore, we hereby grant Lung Chikwang, who holds a brevet official rank of the second grade, and the acting Taoist of Tsungling, San Hsiao, and the Taoist of Tsokling, the red button of the 1st rank. Lieutenant Colonel Lu Yang-ting, who holds the brevet rank of Colonel, is hereby appointed an expectant Brigadier-General. Then follow in my other officials who had been meritorious in the engagement and are duly rewarded by the

## CANTON DAY BY DAY.

## PREFERENCE TO ENGLISH-SPEAKING CHINESE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 18th December.

H. P. Viceroy Chang has received Imperial instructions to recommend those high officials who are now serving under him and who are able to speak the English language to the Throne for selection for the appointment of Admiral to the province of Kwangtung.

## A FRENCH OFFER.

A Peking telegram states that the French Minister at the Capital has submitted a common call to the Waiwups suggesting that the French Government should despatch troops to quell the rising in the prefectures of Yumchow and Limchow.

## FIRE.

At 9 o'clock last evening an outbreak of fire occurred on the city side of the river in Yun On Street, in the western suburb, in a Chinese drug store. Fortunately the fire was put out before it spread to the adjoining buildings.

## VICEROYAL INSPECTION.

On the 22nd instant, H.E. the Viceroy will proceed to Intong to make an inspection of the Military II tracks there, and to watch the troops go through their gunning practice.

## WU TING-FANG.

H.E. Wu Ting-fang, the newly appointed Chinese Minister to the United States of America, Mexico and Peru and Spain, will leave Shanghai on the 17th day of the 11th moon on board the S.S. *Korea* for America to take up his new appointment.

## WINTER SOLISTICE.

H.E. the Viceroy has issued a notification instructing all subordinate officials to prevent themselves at the Imperial Temple on the 22nd instant, to offer their respects before the Imperial Tablet on the occasion of the winter solstice.

## RUSSIA IN THE FAR EAST.

## M. SHIPOFF'S MISSION.

"Among the passengers who arrived in Shanghai on Saturday morning by the *Prins Regent Luitpold*, reports the N. C. D. News of 16th inst., was M. Shipoff, the Russian financial expert, coming from Japan, who has been engaged for some months in travelling through Siberia and the Far East to examine and report on the general financial and commercial situation with a view to future developments. M. Shipoff accompanied Count Witte to Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in the capacity of financial expert, at the time of the peace negotiations with Japan and was immediately afterwards appointed Finance Minister in Count Witte's administration.

M. Shipoff left St. Petersburg towards the end of August and travelled to Harbin, stopping en route a one or two places in Siberia. Thence he went to Khabarovsk and Vladivostok, where he was received by the Emperor, and after visiting the most important industrial and commercial centres of Japan, has come on to Shanghai. From here he will go, as soon as there is a boat, to Hankow to take the train for Peking, where he purposes to make a stay of some duration before returning to St. Petersburg.

Of the general condition of affairs in Northern Manchuria as he saw it, and also of the South as he heard of it from trustworthy informants, it is understood that M. Shipoff does not take a very hopeful view at present, although he admits that there are already signs of slight improvement and that the future is not without possibilities. The Sung-Pi Plain surrounding Harbin is undoubtedly rich from an agricultural point of view. It is a good grain-growing country, and the position of Harbin upon a useful river which is crossed by a flourishing railway appears to be almost ideal. What is necessary is patience, the restoration of order and more men in the country which is sparsely populated and ill-developed. The situation at Vladivostok, according to M. Shipoff, practically repeats that in Harbin. The present general tightness of money and weakness of trade which are felt more or less all over the world, are having a heavy effect on Northern Manchuria; for while all the financial operations of the world are so much interwoven the new countries are naturally far more susceptible to these crises than the old. It may be remarked that M. Shipoff's views coincide both with the future which other observers have assigned for Harbin as the centre of one of the granaries of the East, and with the colonizing policy of the Russian Government, which is understood to be offering free farms to colonists in Manchuria, particularly in soldiers who served in the Far East.

M. Shipoff's reception in Japan was most cordial throughout and marked by numerous receptions. He was amazed at the energy of the Japanese, at the number of new enterprises which are observed in every town. But he could not fail to see that Japan was evidently in need of money and thereby hampered in her development.

With regard to the precise duties which call him to Peking we understand that M. Shipoff is partially guided by the fact that the great bulk of Manchurian trade is in the hands of Chinese. But he states positively that his mission is not in any way diplomatic or political.

In conclusion, for those who are interested in the internal development of Russia it is worth mentioning that at the same time as M. Shipoff left St. Petersburg for the Far East, M. Filonoff, the Russian Minister of Trade and Commerce, started on a similar mission in the Ural district. It is clear that the richest somewhat dormant resources of the Russian Empire are not to be neglected by its administrators.

## THE OPIUM CONTROVERSY.

## EXTRAORDINARY AMOUNT OF EXAGGERATION.

The most unfortunate feature about the whole of the opium controversy is the extraordinary amount of exaggeration, intentional or unintentional, which the case against the use of that commodity is covered. To most persons who have never taken the trouble to look into the matter personally, and we regret to some who have done so, but have allowed their clearest vision to be somewhat obscured by personal prejudice, it is sufficient only to mention the two words "opium den" to disclose the whole enormity of a debasing business. But in Singapore at least and the Native States possibly the "opium den" is about the most prosaic and uninteresting place one could conceive. There is about it none of the marvellous glare which may be justly described as one of the attributes and attractions of the gin palace at home. There is in an opium den no more, and in most cases far less, than there is in an ordinary Chinese kadal, and there is not the slightest attempt to hide the shop or its occupants or surroundings, from the general view of the public or the keener person of the law. In fact there is no romance and extraordinarily little that is objectionable about the place, and people who use the word "den" to describe the ordinary licensed opium shop of these Settlements, and deliberately playing upon the credulity and ignorance of those persons, who have no personal knowledge of the subject. But it is not of this word in particular we wish to write, it is of another species of exaggeration of which we note a recent example. We assume it is exaggeration, because it fails to tally at all with either figures or even popular ideas, and we assume this exaggeration is unintentional because we know Mr. Horley to be a good and earnest man. But if he is correctly reported either he is unintentionally exaggerating, or else the opium question in the Native States has reached a stage at which it needs only a few more months for it to be no longer a problem for our rulers, but a dead and forgotten thing.

In the recent meeting at Kuala Lumpur addressed by Mr. Laidlaw, Mr. Horley is reported as having said that "over 200,000 people had applied for the opium cure." Now we shall not be far wrong in asserting that the opium question is practically a Chinese question. Other races do not to any material extent participate in it at all. We may therefore assume that it was meant to imply that over 200,000 Chinese had already applied for the drug. This is particularly interesting because we find that the Chinese population in the whole of the F.M.S. may be estimated (1927) roughly at 327,000. If these we have to deduct all or nearly all females, as not many women appear to smoke, and presumably all males below fifteen; and we think it would be fair to deduct the odd 27,000 as being represented by those females and children. We have then the fact that two-thirds of the Chinese population of the F.M.S. have applied for the antidote. We are more than interested to learn it and if there is any virtue in the cure the only action necessary in this matter is to sit still and let it finish the work it has already well begun. It may be argued that some of the applicants have gone away empty, and that some have come from outside the Native States, but allowing that only half the Chinese population of the States has applied for this cure, it seems hardly necessary to do more than appeal for subscriptions amongst the Chinese and Europeans interested to keep up a supply of the medicine. It has been alleged that the worst feature of opium is that it destroys the will power that persons are driven to continue it against their inclinations, and never the craving comes on, and this is given as the reason why the Chinese cannot be expected to cure the habit by themselves giving it up. But it has also been claimed that this drug will take away the craving after a certain period of treatment, and we may reasonably presume that if the craving has departed, the will power might be exercised to prevent these people, who so desperately eager to cure themselves of the habit, from once more falling from grace.

We say this seems a reasonable and logical assumption, and if so we are particularly interested to learn that the Chinese in so large a number are already far on the high road to recovery from the habit, but we regret to say that to the ordinary student of the question it will appear either that the cure has been wondrously over-rated, or else the figures form once more one of those unintentional flights of fancy which the zealot in his enthusiasm is apt to accept without troubling to analyse to any degree. There are other references in this speech which do not appear to us quite as clear as they might be. Thus we are told "No steps had been taken by the farms (in Selangor) to abolish the traffic, but instead they had gone on increasing and increasing the opium den, and at the present time go when they would, even in the thickest recesses of the jungle, and they would certainly find an opium den." We are again at a loss. We have not a very intimate acquaintance with Selangor and the recesses of its jungle, but it has always been our belief that there are no farms in Selangor except on the coast, and we do not believe that Government, which itself collects the duty on opium everywhere else, would allow a coast farmer to penetrate into the recesses of the State in the hearer's way. Mr. Horley depicts this speaker also stated that "every sensible Chinaman was down on it." Now here again is a statement which is utterly untrue in itself because we know one or two of our own knowledge who are not "down on it," and doubtless there are others. It may be asserted that these statements are true in their general sense. This is all very well out here, but these matters filter home, they are permitted to lose poising in that filtration, and they are served up to innocent home audiences as solid and uncontested fact. The Anti-Opium party may have a strong Chinese following behind them; they may be engaged in what they at least deem to be an extremely wise and good campaign, but we venture to think they would carry more weight and perhaps more conversions amongst their opponents, if they weighed the statements more carefully, and did not state as facts things which are not facts.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## HONGKONG HOTEL.

## MENU.

SATURDAY, December 21st, 1907.

## DINNER.

## HORS D'OEUVRES.

Caviar and Olive Croquettes.

## SOUP.

Clear Windsor.

## FISH.

Boiled Fish and Butter Sauce.

## ENTREES.

Pigeon Parrot and Green Peas.

Stewed Sweetbreads and Tomatoes.

Chicken Liver and Ham Patties.

## CURRY.

Sicabob.

## JOINTS, &amp;c.

Roast Australian Mutton and R. d. Currant Jelly.

Roast Capon and Bread Sauce.

Boiled Calves Head and Piquante Sauce.

Cold Corried, Brisket of Beef and Macedonian Salad.

## SWEETS.

Toast Pudding.

Tipsey Cake.

Strawberry Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.

Cheese Biscuits.

## DESSERT.

Coffee. Fruits. [1107]

## KOWLOON HOTEL.

## DINNER.

SATURDAY, 21st December, 1907.

## HORS D'OEUVRES.

Beefy Sandwiches.

Celery. Lettuce.

## SOUP.

Puree of Turnips à la Crécy.

## FISH.

Fried Oysters à l'Américaine.

## ENTREES.

Marrow Patties.

Venison Steak and Currant Jelly.

## CURRY.

Chicken.

## RELISHES.

Boiled Corned Pork and Cabbage.

## ALFED.

Chicken à l'ancienne.

## ROAST.

Sirloin of Veal with Dressing.

Pheasant and Bread Sauce.

## VEGETABLES.

Cauliflower and Cream Sauce.

Green Peas. Stuffed Brinjals.

Boiled and Roast Potatoes.

## SWEETS.

Soufflé of Raspberries.

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## FLOUR FOR THE FAR EAST.

## WHEAT SHORT IN THE ORIENT.

There never was a time, according to Seattle's flour manufacturers and grain shippers, when the prospects for an unprecedented trade in those commodities were as bright as at the present, although the tone of the local market is dull.

Dull as the market is, and although there is almost a total lack of new business, millers here are confident that wheat from the state of Washington will soon be an absolute necessity in other parts of the world, and that under this demand wheat prices will be strongly maintained.

The crucial point, according to flour and grain men this year was Australia. The export supply of that country was expected to determine, more than in the past, the trend of the market here. The harvest is now far enough advanced to make it certain that Australia will have but little wheat for export, and that the flour markets of the Pacific usually supplied by Australian wheat to the complete exclusion of flour and grain from almost every other part of the world, will have to be supplied either from the United States or from Argentina. Washington wheat and flour can be placed in Hongkong, Manila and Africa as cheap as that from any other country. The Indian crop is short, and the supposition is that that country will have barely enough grain for its own consumption. Under these circumstances local millers and exporters feel confident that sooner or later a flood of new business will begin to pour into the Northwest.

## WHEAT SHORT IN THE ORIENT.

Speaking of the outlook for new flour and grain business, L. P. Baumann, manager of the flour department of the Centennial Mill Company, said recently: "From both confidential and government dispatches received here, we are quite satisfied that neither Australia nor India will be in a position to export wheat this winter. This will throw the demand for flour and wheat upon the United States and Argentina, where the full extent of the crop is not yet definitely known, although it is commonly supposed that the yield will be large. By reason of our geographical position, the deficit in the Orient should be filled from the Northwest. I believe that later on our flour will again find a market in Manila, which has been dominated by Australia for several years. I believe that our flour will be marketed also in Hongkong, although considerable Australian flour has been sold there earlier in the season, which will have to be delivered. Japan is reported to have a fair crop of wheat and may not need much grain."

It is still a little too early to look for much new business. China will probably wait until after its New Year, which is about the first of January. Settlements are usually made at that time in China, and it is customary for merchants to let their stocks run down.

## PRICES HIGHER THIS YEAR.

Last year our trade in China was in a sense normal, and in some instances more flour was purchased than was actually needed. This year high prices of wheat have necessitated an enormous increase in the cost of flour there. There has been a depreciation in the Chinese money, which amounts to a still further cost in commodities. Flour in China is \$3 a barrel higher in Mexican money than last year, or \$1.50 in our money. The crop of 1907

mill, which is used as a breadstuff, is reported large this year and may, to a certain extent, take the place of high priced flour.

"Although little business is passing here in the Northwest, the wheat market appears to be strong. Conditions abroad compel it to be so. Wheat is nominally worth 85 cents a bushel on the coast. On that basis the farmer would get but 75 cents, which is not enough under the circumstances."

T. A. François, grain broker and exporter, said: "The wheat market, as far as the actual movement of grain is concerned, is unusually active. The grain receipts at Sound terminals demonstrate that the crop is moving out of the country very rapidly. Little wheat is being taken by the exporters, especially from the farmers in the country. Warehousemen carrying wheat are unloading in some instances. The time, however, is not far off when buying on a general scale will have to be resumed. We have the wheat; the Orient or Europe needs it. They have money and will have to buy the grain."

## LULL DUE TO BEAR MOVEMENT.

The present lull in buying operations looks more or less like the result of concerted action on the part of European buyers, who are taking advantage of the situation and hoping to force the market down before taking on new grain. The decline at Liverpool, in the face of a world-wide shortage of wheat, would indicate that something was wrong somewhere. Ordinarily this market is almost absolutely dependent upon Liverpool, but with a short grain crop in Australia, India and China the Northwest will be less dependent upon the English market than has ever been known. Up to now exporters have set the price of wheat and millers have had to pay export prices for their grain, and have in many cases exported the grain, without grinding it.

"The circumstances all make for the greatest movement of grain ever seen in the Northwest. The farmers are in excellent financial condition and are anxious to get the grain out of the country. They do not need the money, and many are forwarding their grain here to be handled on a commission basis. Dealers on this end are paying the freight and making returns as soon as possible. Dealers, however, do not really care to buy. The wheat market is firm, although nominal. Eighty-five cents is a fair quotation for wheat on track at Seattle."

## MARKET IN EXCELLENT CONDITION.

C. A. Peelow, manager of the Hammond Milling Company, said: "The whole trouble in a nutshell is that in this part of the country we have always done business on a cash basis. Now that we are forced to do a credit business as is done in other parts of the world, we are a little awkward about it and in many cases do not like the system. Farmers have always been paid cash, and it was not to be expected that the entire business system could be rearranged in a day. The market is in excellent condition. In fact, there is no community, except it be cotton or potatoes or other necessities, that must be in as active demand. The world has but so much wheat. This year the crop is short. We have a big surplus in the Northwest and there will be a good market for it."

"Business at present has not the same old snap, but comes hard. This, however, I take to be but a result of the new way of doing business. We will soon get used to it. There is no question at all that there will be a strong demand for our wheat before many weeks. It is immaterial whether we sell wheat or flour, the result is the same. The important point is that the old world demands that we extend credit. There is no reason why we should not do this, but in doing so we must be given the support of our bankers. The plan worked out last week will go a long way toward accomplishing this result."

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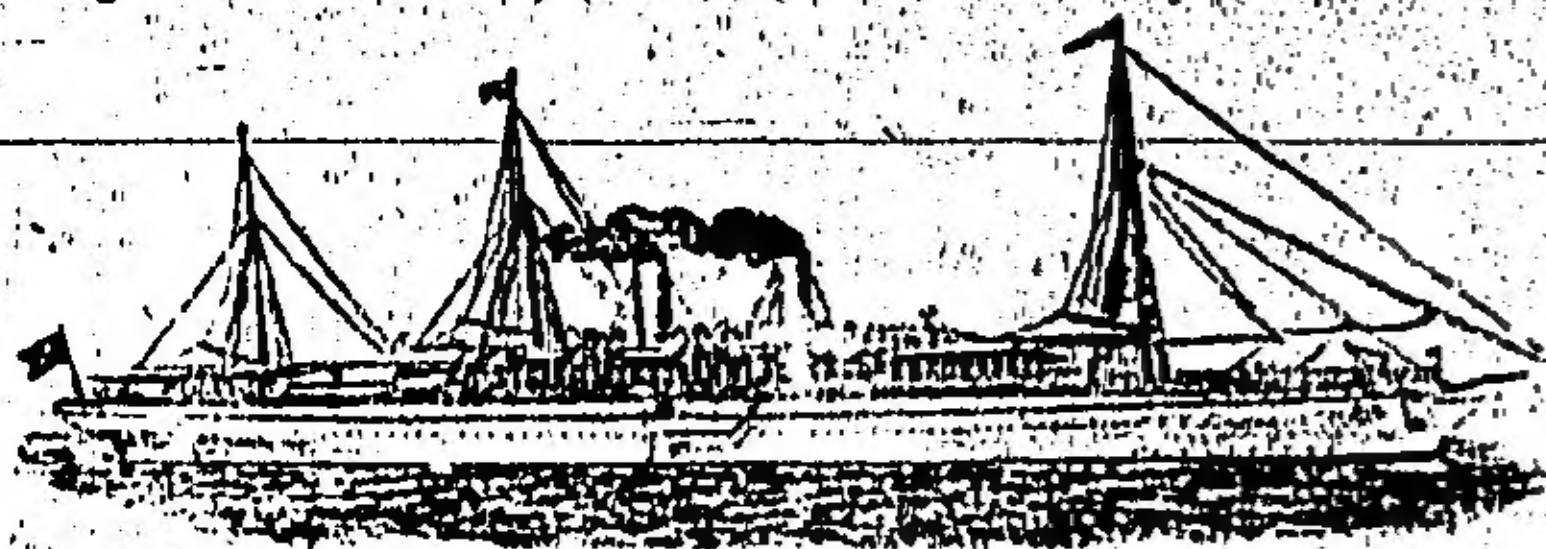
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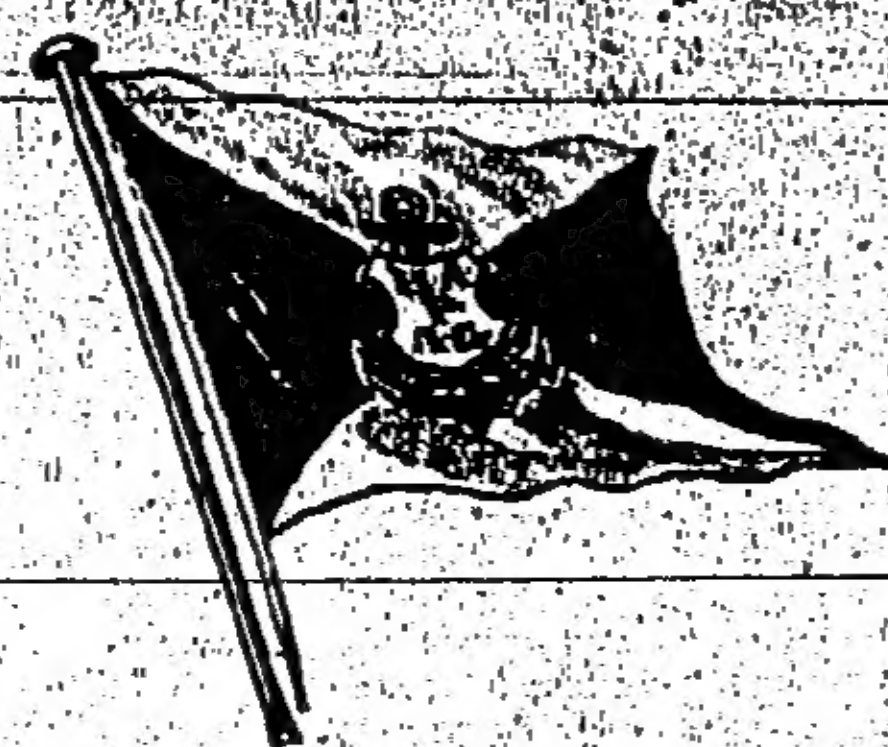
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Hongkong, 6th December, 1907.

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"GREGORY APCAR,"

Capt. S. H. Nelson, will be despatched for the

above Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON &amp; Co., LIMITED,

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1907.

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THE Company's Steamship

"SALAZIE,"

Captain Aillard, will be despatched for the

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1907.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1907.

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BY

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Hongkong, 20th July, 1907.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE Steamship

"MANILA,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that their Goods, with the exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being

landed and stored at their risk into the Godown

and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hong-

kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Com-

pany, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery

may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 21st of December,

will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 21st of December, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 25th of

December, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the

Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS &amp; Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1907.

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLARG,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

informed that all Goods are being landed

at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra

hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the wharves delivery

may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods

have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 24th instant, will be

subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-

sented to the Undersigned on or before the

31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are

to be left in the Godowns, where they will be

examined on the 24th instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

Macao—Per Swi Tel, 21st Dec., 1.15 P.M.

**STEAMERS.**

Dajila Maru, Jap. s.s., 897.1 Sakurai, 10th Dec.—Tamsui 10th Dec; Gen.—O. S. K.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3032, E. Beetham, 17th Dec, 16th Dec.—Yancooer, (B.C.) 20th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Fausan, Br. s.s., 1410, H. S. Malkin, 19th Dec.—Canton 18th Dec; Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 871, O. Andersen, 14th Dec.—Naphon 12th Dec, Rice.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

Gienesk, Br. s.s., 2274, J. Raffroy, 30th Nov.—Salina Cruz 16th Nov, Ballast.—C. M. S. S. Co.

Gregory Apar, Br. s.s., 2061, S. H. Belson, 15th Dec.—Nagasaki 11th Dec, Gen. and Coal.—D. S. & Co, Ltd.

Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, A. Nierhoff, 11th Dec.—Swatow 10th Dec, Gen.—I. & Co.

Iyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 3518, Wm Thompson, 15th Dec.—Shanghai 12th Dec, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 623, Hansen, 8th Dec.—Holhow 7th Dec, Gen.—J. & Co.

Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 109, C. Rosiesky, 12th Dec.—Bangkok and Tourane 7th Dec, Rice and Gen.—B. & S.

burne and Sydney 19th.

Melbourne and Sydney 19th Nov., Gen.—  
M. & Co.

Mausang, Br. a.s., 1,644, R. Houghton, 1<sup>st</sup>  
Dec.—Sandakan 1<sup>st</sup> Dec., Timber and  
Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Merapi, Dut. a.s., 459, E. Uldali, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec.,  
Batavia 5<sup>th</sup> Dec., 1<sup>st</sup> Dec., Sugar and  
Cotton.—Chinese

Mercedes, Br. a.s., 3, co J. S. McGregor, 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Sept.—Weihaiwei 6<sup>th</sup> Sept., Ballast—  
Admiralty

Mongolia, Am. a.s., 5,750, R. H. Hathaway,  
13<sup>th</sup> Dec.—San Francisco 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.,  
Honolulu 23<sup>rd</sup>, Yokobama 5<sup>th</sup> Dec., Kobe  
21<sup>st</sup>, Nagasaki 8<sup>th</sup>, and Shanghai 11<sup>th</sup>,

gkok 29th Nov., Gen.—  
 1886 W. Huber

—Bangkok 29th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.  
Pata I, Ger. s.s., 1,086, W. Hubner, 10th Dec.,  
—Europe via Bangkok 27th. Nov., Rice  
and Gen.—Order.  
Pronto, Nor s.s., 838, T. Seeburg, 14th Dec.,  
—Haiphong 11th Dec., Rice.—Wallem &  
Co.  
Rub. J.R. s.s., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 16th Dec.,  
—Manila 16th Dec., Gen.—S. T. & Co.  
Sicilia, Br. transport, 6,695, G. H. Watkins,  
R.N.R., 10th Dec.,—Southampton 31st Oct.  
Taishan, Br. s.s., 1,214, J. S. Laing, 17th Dec.,  
—Saigon 9th Dec., Meal.—B. & Co.  
Ulv, Nor. s.s., 885, J. Petersen, 17th Dec.,  
—Haiphong 14th. Dec., Rice.—Aagaard,  
Thoresen & Co.  
Victoria, Swed. s.s., 989, J. A. Hellberg, 4th  
Dec.,—Pinalongao and Samarang 31st  
Nov., Sugar and Cotton.—Aagaard, Thore-  
sen & Co.  
Wengko, Br. s.s., 1,111, W. Reher, 11th Dec.,  
—Saigon 5th Dec., Rice and Meal.—B. &  
S.  
Woolwich, Br. s.s., 1,841, A. Stoker, 13th Nov.,  
—Mojji 8th Nov., Coal.—D. & Co., Ltd.  
  
SAILING VESSEL.  
Lawhill, Br. 4-masted bark, 1,765,  
24th Aug., from New York, Case Oil.—  
S. O. Co.  
  
Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Sunda	Singapore.	P. & O. Co.	Dec. 21
Shaohsing	Shanghai.	B. & S. ....	Dec. 21
Haaburg	Singapore.	H. A. L. ....	Dec. 22
Sylakie	Saigon	M. M. ....	Dec. 23
H'kong Maru.	Manila	T. K. K. ....	Dec. 23
Nikko Maru.	Manila	N. Y. K. ....	Dec. 23
Kanagawa I.	Shanghai.	N. Y. K. ....	Dec. 23
C. Ferd. Lauer	Singapore.	H. A. L. ....	Dec. 23
Riojun Maru	Mojji	N. Y. K. ....	Dec. 24
Katherine Park	Japan	T. K. K. ....	Dec. 24
Sachsen	Japan	M. & Co. ....	Dec. 24

1 .. Singapore, G., L.  
Singapore, L. M.

Henvorlich	Singapore	G. L. & Co	Dec 24
Fooksang	Singapore	S. M. & Co	Dec 24
Taiyuan	Thursday	B. & S	Dec 27
Laisang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co	Dec 29
Minnesota	Japan	N. Y. K.	Jan. 2
Ching u	Ydney	B. & S	Jan. 3
Monteale	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co	Jan. 4
P. Waldem ur.	Sydney	V. & Co.	Jan. 8
Numentia	Asirin	P. & A. Cn.	Jan. 15
Persia	acoma	O. & O. Co	Jan. 15

### DOCK RETURNS

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.			
Neil Mcleod.....	at	Kowloon Dock	
Germania.....	31	33	33
Woolwich.....	31	33	33
Engineer.....	31	33	33
Kwongsi.....	31	33	33
C. Hardouin.....	31	33	33
Hinsang.....	31	33	33
Fausang.....	31	33	33
Huichow.....	31	33	33
Kohsichang.....	at	Common Italian	33

ember—*Austria, Clav*

3rd December—Austria, Claverburgh, Ching Wo, Spezia. 6th December—Ernest Simons, Remader, Borneo, Glenroy, Patling, Sikiang, Benvenue. 10th December—Anchises, Ranca, Benclauth, Flintshire, Idomeneus, Polawan, Calchar, Suevia, Zielen. 13th December—Inaba Maru, Katsuchi Maru, Yarra, Prince

at Howard De

Arrivals at Home—3rd Decembei—*Sikh, Ghaever, Deucallon*, 6th December—*Manila, Rop*, 10th December—*Hohmslawen, Tamba Maru*, 10th December—*Bilgravia, Ghoss, Liburia, Ernest Simons*, 17th December—*Idomeneus, Pak Ling*.

31 Dec 1950

**Post Office.**

The time of posting ordinary letters with an extra fee of 10 cents intended to be despatched by the English and French Mails to Europe has now been extended till noon.

Macao—Per Swi Tel, 21st Dec., 1.15 P.M.

Alcalá—Per *Swt Tai*, 21st Dec., 2.15 P.M.  
Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta—  
*Agony Apea*, 21st Dec., 2 P.M.  
Batavia, Amoy, and Tamsui—Per *Dai*  
*Maru*, 22nd Dec., 9 A.M.  
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per *Kwong*  
*Maru*, 23rd Dec., 3 P.M.  
Bandankau—Per *Muang*, 23rd Dec., 3  
P.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama  
—Per *Caracowinski*, 23rd Dec., 4 P.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama,  
Nanolulu, and San Francisco—Per *Mong*  
*Maru*, 10 A.M.  
Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Ni*  
*Maru*, 24th Dec., 10 A.M.  
Europe, Ac. India, *via* Tuticorin—  
*Nurana*, 24th Dec., 11 A.M.  
Manila—Per *Tamir*, 24th Dec., 3 P.M.  
Singapore—Per *Zianghou*, 24th Dec., 3 P.M.  
Shanghai, Meiji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria,  
and Seattle, Wash.—Per *Iyo Maru*, 24  
Dec., 3 P.M.  
Europe, Ac. India, *via* Tuticorin—  
*Kazen*, 24th Dec., 5 P.M.  
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—  
*Tojun Maru*, 24th Dec., 5 P.M.  
Singapore, Penang and Colombo—  
*Onagawa Maru*, 24th Dec., 5 P.M.  
Shanghai—Per *Shaking*, 24th Dec., 5 P.M.  
Europe, Ac. India, *via* Tuticorin—  
*Chen*, 25th Dec., 14 A.M.  
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns,  
Newcastle, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston,  
New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide  
—Per *Yasaka Maru*, 27th Dec., 11 A.M.  
Manila—Per *Yuenyang*, 27th Dec., 3 P.M.  
Nagasaki and Yokohama—Per *Bingo Maru*, 27  
Dec., 3 P.M.  
Cebu and Manila—Per *Sungliang*, 27th Dec., 3 P.M.

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Berry, F. J., wife and	Howak, D. C.
child	Hutchinson, Wm. M.
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Dietrich, Mrs. and Mrs. J.	Wagatha, Made Mains-
	salle F. L.
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Fletcher, Mr.	J. L.
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Freemantle, Lt.-Comdr.	Reid, Lieut.-Col.
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Fuchs, Mr.	Rissland, H.
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Hancock, Mr.	Smith, A. Findlay
Harding, Mr. and Mrs.	Stellim, Mr. and Mrs.
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Hell, P.	Wakefeld, Mrs.
Hill, E. E.	Watkins, Mr. and Mrs.
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## HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.	
Corrected 19th December, 100 lbs. per 3 Mox.	
BUTCHER MEAT.	
	Cents
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa B	2
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	2
" Roast—Shiu " "	2
" Breast—Ngau Lam	1
" Soup, Tong Yuk	1
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	2
" Sirloin—Ngau Lau	3
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Ching	2
Bullock's Brains—" Know..... per set	1
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li..... each	5
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li.....	5
" Head—Ngau Tau	8
" Heart—Ngau Sun.....per lb	1
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kim.....	4
" Feet—Ngau Keok.....each	1
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu.....	1
" Tail—Ngau Mei	1
" Liver—Ngau Con.....lb	1
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To.....	1
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-keok.....set	1.0
Mutton Cap—Yeung Pai Kwat.....lb	2
" Leg—Yeung Pei	2
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau	2
Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheong	2
" Brains—Chi Know.....per set	2

## Shurt-S. V.

	Cents.
Shark—Sa Yu .....	0
Skate—Po Yu .....	10
Shrimps—Ha .....	24
Snapper—Lap Yu .....	22
Soles—Tat Sa Yu .....	22
Teach—Wan Yu .....	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu .....	20
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu ..	60
White Bait—Ngan Yu Chai .....	—
<b>FRUITS.</b>	
Almond—Hung Yan .....	20
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping ..	—
Ko .....	35
(Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping .....	—
Ko .....	—
Small—Hoi Tong .....	—
Custard—Fai Lai Chi .....	each
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng ..	—
Heung Chiu .....	3
(brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu ..	—
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fongg Lut .....	10
Chambola—Yeng Toun .....	1
Cocoanuts—Yeh Ts .....	each
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz .....	28
Lemons, China—Ning Moong .....	7
Amer.—Kum Sun Ning Moong .....	7
Lichies, Small Stone—Lai Chi Coa .....	20
Fresh, Lai Chi .....	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning .....	each
Moong .....	7
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Moong .....	—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong .....	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz .....	doz.
Oranges, Tim Chang .....	5
Small—Tai Kut .....	catty
Mandarin—Tim Kut .....	—
Olives—Pak Lum .....	8
Passion Fruit .....	each

CHAIQUEBURN.

Adams, M. and Mrs. F. Hollingsworth, Mr. & Mrs.  
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 Clothier, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, E. Grant  
 H. W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Denison, Mr. and Mrs. Grant  
 Denison, Misses (?) Smith, Percy  
 Marchant, Capt. & Mrs.

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KOWLOON.

Dal-iel, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, E. Cornewall  
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 Goss, U.S.N., Capt. and Stone, P. E. F.  
 Mrs. E. R. and child Tuve, I.M.S., Capt. and  
 Klebs Dr. and Mrs. Mrs. A.

30 Feet-Lin RECU

"	Fry—Chi Chak .....	2
"	Head—Chi Tau .....	2
"	Heart—Chi Sum .....	each
"	Kidneys—Chi Yiu .....	pair
"	Liver—Chi Kon .....	lb
"	Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat .....	11
"	Comed—Ham Chu Yuk .....	11
"	Leg—Chu Pei .....	11
"	Fat or Lard—Chu Yau .....	11
"	Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau	
"	Keok .....	set
"	Heart—Yeung Sum .....	each
"	Kidneys—Yeung Yiu .....	11

## " (Canto

12	" (Shanghai)—Shengng Hoi Li .....	18
13	Peanuts,—Fa Sang .....	19
14	Perimmons, Large,—Hung Chie.....	6
15	Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon .....	10
16	Ti Paw-law .....	8
17	" and cooking—Chung-lang .....	—
18	Paw-law .....	6
19	Platains—Tai Chio .....	—
20	Puna, Swatow—Hung Lai .....	14
21	Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau .....	10
22	Walnuts, Hop Tou .....	14
23	" Green—Sang Hop Tou .....	—
24	Shanghai Lo Kwai .....	—

## CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

December 10th, 1907, a.m.		Bar.		Th.	Hu.	Wind	Wt.
Vladivostok.	7 a.m.	30.04	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro.	6 a.m.	30.07	—	—	—	SW	2
Hakodate.	"	30.04	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio.	"	30.18	—	—	—	—	2
Kochi.	"	30.10	—	—	—	SW	2
Nagasaki.	"	30.23	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima.	"	30.23	—	—	—	N	2
Oshima.	"	30.12	—	—	—	NE	6
Naha.	"	30.13	—	—	—	NE	—
Ishiketsuima.	"	30.13	—	—	—	N	6
Bonin Is.	"	30.12	—	—	—	—	—
Chefoo.	6 a.m.	30.32	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei.	9 a.m.	30.32	31	—	—	SE	2
Hankow.	"	30.32	—	—	—	—	b
Kiukiang.	9 a.m.	30.55	40	91	NW	1	b
Shanghai.	"	30.42	42	75	NW	1	b
Gulfad.	"	30.38	43	67	NW	3	cm
Shant' Peak.	"	30.30	55	80	NE	3	c
Amoy.	6 a.m.	30.16	52	81	NE	3	c
Swatow.	"	30.11	58	81	N	2	—
Taihook.	5 a.m.	30.23	—	—	—	E	2
Taichu.	"	30.68	—	—	—	N	4
Taiwan.	"	30.10	—	—	—	—	—
Koishun.	"	30.61	—	—	—	NE	—
Panlores.	"	30.44	—	—	—	N	10
Canton.	9 a.m.	30.36	52	73	NW	3	b
Hongkong.	9 a.m.	30.37	59	42	—	—	—
Victoria Feal.	"	—	—	—	—	N	3
Gap Rock.	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Macao.	9 a.m.	30.29	59	—	—	N	3
Hoihow.	"	30.39	—	—	—	—	b
Pakhoi.	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phu Lien.	10 a.m.	31.35	59	—	—	N	3
Tourane.	"	30.19	70	—	—	NNE	3
O. St. James.	"	30.64	77	—	—	NNE	1
Apari.	6 a.m.	30.59	75	75	—	SE	2
Mayila.	6 a.m.	30.64	77	84	—	SE	2
Legat.	5 a.m.	30.61	—	—	—	SE	1
Belokol.	9 a.m.	—	—	—	—	N	2
Hilo.	"	30.74	81	—	—	NE	1
Cebu.	"	30.76	82	—	—	SW	1
Lahuan.	"	30.77	71	—	—	—	—

**Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai** . . . 19

Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau .....	„
„ Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau .....	„
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk .....	„
„ Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong ..	„
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POULTRY.	
Chicken—Kai Chai .....	lb
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai .....	„
Ducks—Ap .....	„
Doves—Pau Kau .....	each
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan .....	per doz
Fowls, Canton, Kai .....	lb
„ Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai .....	„
Geese—Ngo .....	„
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye Ngo .....	pair \$
Musk Deer—Wong Keng .....	each
Hare—Tu Chai .....	„
Partridge—Che Khoo .....	„
Pheasanti—Shan Kai .....	pair \$
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup .....	each
„ Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup .....	„
Quail—Um Chun .....	„
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk .....	dozen
Snipe—Sa Chui .....	each
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Ngau ..	per lb
„ Hen—„ Na .....	„
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui ap .....	pair
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai .....	„
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui	„

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Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ah  
Chi Chauk  
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Mop; Pin  
Tau  
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi  
Pin Tau  
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi  
Beans, Long—Tau Kok  
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau  
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker  
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker  
Brusica—Pak Choi  
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun  
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy  
Cabbage Root—Kai Lan Tau  
Cabbage, (Shanghai) Yeh Choi  
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun  
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi  
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Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh  
Choi-fa  
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa  
Carrots—Kam Shun  
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy  
Celery, English—Yung Kan Choi  
Celery, White—Pak Yung Kan Choi  
Chillies, Dried—Com Lat Chiu  
Red—Hung Fa  
Green—Cheng Lat Chiu  
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu  
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa  
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa  
Garlic—Saen Tau  
Ginger, young—Sun Ts Keung  
old—Lo Keung  
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan  
Horse Radish—Suk Mak  
Horse Radish—Suk Mak

December 20th, 1907, a.m.

Vladivostok.....	7 a.m.	30.16							
Nemuro.....	7 a.m.	30.16				W	2	—	—
Itakodate.....	"	30.28							
Koshi.....	"	30.19					2	4	4
Kochi.....	"	30.19				NW	0	—	—
Nagasaki.....	"	30.23					0	—	—
Kaposhima.....	"	30.23				N	2	—	—
Oshima.....	"	30.16							
Naha.....	"	30.13				N	4	—	—
Ishigakiima.....	"	30.13				N	2	—	—
Bonin Is.....	"	30.13				NW	0	—	—
Chefoo.....	6 a.m.	30.08	35	70			6	0	c
Waihaiwai.....	9 a.m.	30.50	30			WNW	4	0	c
Wankow.....	6 a.m.	30.52	40	91	SW		6	b	b
Kinking.....	"	30.50	39	82	SW		2	—	—
Shanghai.....	7 a.m.	30.50	43	75	SW		1	b	b
Gunpei.....	"	30.28	47	75	W		3	b	b
Port Peak.....	"	30.13	53	76	WNW		1	—	—
Amoy.....	6 a.m.	30.13	53	79	W		1	—	—
Swaio.....	"	30.13	54	80			1	b	c
Taihouk.....	a.m.	30.23	54		N	2	—	—	—
Taichu.....	"	30.17	—		N	4	—	—	—
Tainan.....	"	30.15	—		N	4	—	—	—
Koishun.....	"	30.12	—		N	4	0	8	—
Pescadores.....	"	31.18	—						
Canton.....	9 a.m.	30.39	49	71	N	1	b	b	—
Hongkong.....	10 a.m.	30.31	50	27	N	1	5	—	—
Victoria Peak.....	"	30.31	50	27	N	6	—	—	—
Gap Rock.....	"	30.32	56		N	2	—	c	—
Macao.....	"	30.32	56		N	2	—	—	—
Pakhoi.....	9 a.m.	30.38	55		N	4	—	—	—
Phu Lien.....	10 a.m.	30.38	55		N	4	—	fb	0
Tourane.....	9 a.m.	30.28	63		NW	1	—	—	—
C. St. James.....	"	30.59	72		N	1	0	—	—
Apari.....	5 a.m.	30.59	72		N	1	—	—	—
Manila.....	10 a.m.	29.84	75	100		0	d	0	0
Legaspi.....	6 a.m.	29.78	79		NW	1	—	—	—
Barcelo.....	9 a.m.	29.78	80		NW	2	—	c	0
Hiloilo.....	"	29.78	80		NW	2	—	c	0
Cebu.....	"	29.80	82		N	1	—	—	—
Lahuan.....	"	29.80	82		N	1	—	—	—

1. The first group of people who are not in the labor force are those who are not in the labor force for any reason. This group is the largest and is made up of people who are not in the labor force for any reason.

**FISH.**


Barbel—Ka Yu .....	11
Bream—Bin Yu .....	12
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu ..	13
Carp—Li Yu .....	14
Catfish—Chik Yu .....	15
Codfish—Mun Yu .....	16
Crabs—Hai .....	17
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu .....	18
Dab—Sa Mang Yu .....	19
Dace—Wong Mei Lun .....	20
Dog Fish—Tit To Sa .....	21
Eels, Congor—Hai Man Yu .....	22
Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu .....	23
Yellow—Wong Sin .....	24
Frogs—Tien Kai .....	25
Garoupa—Sek Pan .....	26
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu .....	27
Herrings—So Pak .....	28
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu .....	29
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu .....	30
Loach—Wi Yu .....	31
Lobsters—Lung Ha .....	32
Mackerel—Chi Yu .....	33
Monk Fish—Mon Yu .....	34
Mullet—Chai Yu .....	35
Oysters—Sang Moo .....	36
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu .....	37
Perch—Tas Loo .....	38
Pike—Fa Paw Poong .....	39
Plaice—Pan Yu .....	40
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong .....	41

**Water Chest**

	" Mandarin-Kwei Lum Ma Tai,"	
	Musk Melon .....	
	Mushrooms, Fresh-Sang Cho Kho.....	3
9	Onions, Bombay-Yeung Chung Tau ...	
15	" Green-Sang Chung.....	
16	" S'hai-Sheung Hoi Chung Tau .....	
17	" Japan-Yai Poon " " "	
18	Okrees-Mo Ker .....	
19	Parsies, English-Yeung Un Sai .....	6
24	Gradus Pea .....	
25	Green Peas-Cheng Tau .....	
26	Potatoes, Sweet-Fan Shu .....	
27	" Shanghai-Sheung Hoi Shu .....	
28	" Tsal .....	
29	" Japan-Yai Poon Shu Tsai .....	
30	" American-Fa Ki .....	
31	" Foochow-Fak Chau Shu Tsai .....	
32	" Macao-Oh Moon " "	
33	Pumpkin-Toong Kwa .....	
34	Radish-Hung Lo Pak Tsai .....	h
35	Rhubarb .....	
36	Shalots-Con Chung Tau .....	
37	Spinage (Chinese)-Faw Choi .....	
38	Spinach-Yin Choi .....	
39	Tomatoes-Fan Ker .....	
40	Taro-Wu Tau .....	
41	Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)-Low Pak .....	
42	" English-Yeung Low Pak, piece .....	
43	Vegetable Marrow-Chi' Kwa .....	
44	Water Cresses-Sai-Yeung Choi .....	10
45	" Catrops-Lan Kok .....	h
46	" Lily Roots-Lin Ngau .....	
47	Yams-Tai Shu .....	
48	Sage .....	per bundle
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